

REMARKS

Claims 1-9 remain in this application. Claims 1-9 each have been amended.

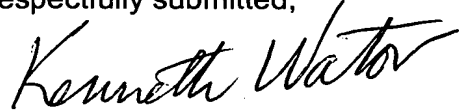
Referring to the Office Action, claims 1-9 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112,
5 second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly
claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention. The Office Action
sets forth the objected limitations for each of the corresponding claims. Applicants have
amended the claims to correct the lack of sufficient antecedent basis for each of the
limitations identified. Applicants respectfully request that the rejection of claim 1-9 be
10 withdrawn in view of the changes made.

The examiner has acknowledged that claims 1-9 are directed to allowable
subject matter, and would be allowable if rewritten or amended to overcome the
rejection under 35 U.S.C. 112, 2nd paragraph, as set forth in the Office Action.
15 Applicants have made the required changes. In view of the foregoing, Applicants
submit that the present invention is in condition for allowance and early passage to
issue is therefore deemed proper and respectfully requested. Applicant respectfully
requests that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this case.

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It is believed that no additional fee is due. However, if any additional fee is due,
it should be charged to Deposit Account No. 23-0510.

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